

## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

### **A. Allowed Claims**

The Examiner indicated that claims 7-10, 12, 15, 17, 18, 20, and 21 are allowed.

### **B. Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)**

The Examiner rejected claims 22-25, 27, 29, and 30 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,059,199, issued to Quaney ("Quaney").

By this amendment, claims 22-25, 27, 29, and 30 have been canceled thereby obviating its rejection.

### **C. Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)**

The Examiner rejected claim 28 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentably obvious over Quaney in view of Russell (U.S. Patent No. 4,976,366).

By this amendment, claim 28 has been canceled thereby obviating its rejection.

### **D. Summary**

In the present Office Action, claims 7-10, 12, 15, 17, 18, 20, and 21 were allowed and claims 22-25 and 27-30 were rejected.

By this amendment, the rejected claims 22-25 and 27-30 are canceled. No new matter has been added.

Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully requested to issue a Notice of Allowance at the earliest possible date.

If the Examiner has any questions or believes that a discussion with Applicants' attorney would expedite prosecution, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below.

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